GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:39
ANSWERED ON:26.07.2005
RESERVATION FOR MUSLIM STUDENTS IN A.M.U.
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to provide 50 per cent reservation in certain courses to Muslim students in the Aligarh Muslim University;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with reasons therefor;

(c) whether Muslim community is expected to derive benefit from this decision of the Government;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether this decision of the Government would not encourage other Minority Institutions/Universities to follow the same path; and

(f) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE (SHRI ARJUN SINGH)

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (f) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 39 TO BE ANSWERED ON 26TH JULY, 2005 ASKED BY SHRI BADIGA RAMAKRISHNA AND SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY REGARDING RESERVATION FOR MUSLIM STUDENTS IN A.M.U.

(a) to (f): While the Government does not make any reservation referred to in the question, each Minority Institution may adopt a policy of reservation for the minorities establishing the institution of their choice, provided the relevant Act/Statutes/MoA establishing the institution empower so. The Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) has exercised its powers in respect of reservation under the relevant provisions of the AMU (Amendment) Act, 1981. The Government has conveyed its no-objection to the decision taken by the appropriate authorities of the AMU.